# ST. TAMMANY PARISH DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

**Annual Financial Statements** 

December 31, 2007 and 2006

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### St. Tammany Parish Development District

#### Management's Discussion & Analysis

Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) is a required element of the new reporting model adopted by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board in their Statement No. 34. Its purpose is to provide an overview of the financial activities of the District's office based on currently known facts and decisions of conditions. Please read it in conjunction with the District's financial statements, which begin on page 7.

The basic financial statements include government-wide and government fund statements. The government-wide Statements of Net Assets and Statements of Activities present information for all the activities of the District's office, from an economic resources measurement focus using the accrual basis of accounting. Primarily for our office the difference between these statements and Governmental fund statements is that assets are capitalized and depreciated over their estimated useful life versus expensed in the Governmental fund statements. The Balance Sheets — Governmental Fund detail the assets and liabilities of the governmental fund while the Reconciliations of the Government Fund Balance Sheet to the Statements of Net Assets reflects the differences from the amounts reported in the Statements of Net Assets. The Statements of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance reflects the current year receipt and disbursement of funds and the Reconciliations report the differences in the change in fund balance to the change in net assets of the Government activities. The differences between the adopted budget and the actual activities are reflected in the Statements of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance-General Fund-Budget to Actual.

The District is a subdivision of the State of Louisiana within the Parish of St. Tammany. The accompanying financial statements only present information in the funds maintained by the District.

#### STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AND STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES

The Statements of Net Assets and Statements of Activities report information about the funds maintained by the District as a whole and about its activities in a way which helps answer one of the most important questions asked about the District's finances, "Is the District, as a whole, better off or worse off as a result of the year's activities?" These statements include all assets and liabilities using the accrual basis of accounting used by most private sector companies. Accrual of the current year's revenues and expenses are taken into account regardless of when the cash was received or paid.

These two statements report the District's net assets and the changes in them. These net assets, the difference between the assets and the liabilities, is one way to measure the District's financial position of financial health and, over time, increases or decreases in net assets are one indicator of whether its financial health is improving or deteriorating.

We record the funds maintained by the District as governmental activities in the Statements of Net Assets and Statements of Activities.

All of the expenses paid from the funds maintained are reported here as governmental activities and consist primarily of insurance, accounting fees, and support payments to the St. Tammany Economic Development Foundation, which is the management arm for the District. A percentage of the state hotel and motel sales tax collections finance the operating activities of the District.

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#### FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Here are the financial highlights:

The District's assets exceeded its liabilities at the close of fiscal year 2007 and 2006 by \$3,065,440 and \$2,669,361, respectively, (net assets), which represents a 15% increase and 6% decrease, respectively, over the previous year.

Cash was \$66,531 at December 31, 2007 compared to \$28,424 at December 31, 2006. This is an increase of \$38,107 or 134%.

The District's revenue increased \$561,531 and \$129,983 or 142% and 49% respectively for the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006. The increase in 2007 was primarily due to an increase in state capital grant revenue of \$592,803 for the year ended December 31, 2007. The increases in 2006 were primarily due to an increase in hotel/motel taxes of \$64,000, and increase in state capital grant revenue of \$52,000, and an increase in service fees of \$20,000 for the year ended December 31, 2006.

Capital assets increased \$294,476 and decreased \$93,479, respectively, as of December 31, 2007 and 2006. The increase as of December 31, 2007 was due to the addition of construction in progress of \$557,423 partially offset by depreciation expense of \$262,947. The decrease as of December 31, 2006 was due to depreciation expense of \$262,947 partially offset by the addition of capital assets valued at \$115,468.

The District's expenditures for the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006, excluding depreciation expense, decreased \$13,127 and increased \$231,970 or 2% and 93%, respectively, over the prior fiscal years. The decrease in 2007 was due to a decrease in economic development support. The increase in 2006 was primarily due to an increase in economic development support of \$57,596, and an increase in acquisition of equipment and infrastructure of \$154,131.

At the close of fiscal year 2007 the District's general fund had an excess balance of \$82,582. The District's general fund had a deficit balance of \$19,021 at the close of fiscal year 2006.

As a result of subtracting total expenditures from total revenue, the District's net assets increased by \$396,079 and decreased by \$178,579, respectively, for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006.

#### GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

As noted earlier, net assets may serve over time as a useful indicator of an entity's financial position. The District's total net assets changed from \$2,669,361 at year ending December 31, 2006 to \$3,065,440 at year ending December 31, 2007 as a result of increased state capital grant revenue.

The District's office at December 31, 2007 and 2006 had \$66,531 and \$28,424, respectively, in cash on hand for operating costs. These deposits are secured from risk by \$100,000 of federal deposit insurance.

Revenue to the District consisted primarily of state hotel and motel sales tax collections and pass through funds for various projects the District was involved in.

Expenditures for the District consisted of support payments to the St. Tammany Economic Development Foundation, which is the management arm for the District, and pass through funds for various projects the District was involved in.

#### GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2007, the favorable variance in state capital grant revenue was caused by receipt of parish reimbursement for capital outlays. The favorable variance in expense was caused largely by decreased economic development support.

For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2006, the favorable variance in state capital grant revenue was caused by receipt of parish reimbursement for capital outlays. The unfavorable variance in expense was caused largely by increased capital spending on infrastructure.

#### CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital assets currently held by the District will revert to a private company at the time the company pays off taxable revenue bonds issued by the District. The capital assets consist of land, land improvements, and equipment paid for with State grants received by the District. The term of the revenue bond is ten years, and, for that reason, the land improvements and equipment are being depreciated over a period of ten years. No depreciation is taken on the land. Net capital assets at year-end December 31, 2007 and 2006, were \$2,982,858 and \$2,688,382 respectively.

#### **ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGETS**

The District considered many factors when setting the operating budget for its general fund for the year ending December 31, 2008. Anticipated revenues will be approximately \$379,318, while anticipated expenditures will be approximately \$335,803. We anticipate a profit of \$43,515 due to an increase in bond closing fees.

#### CONTACTING THE DISTRICT'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens and taxpayers with a general overview for the funds maintained by the St. Tammany Parish Development District and to show the accountability for the money it receives. If you have any questions or need additional information, contact the District's office at 21489 Koop Drive, Suite 7 Mandeville\_LA 70471.

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Board of Commissioners St. Tammany Parish Development District Mandeville, Louisiana

We have audited the accompanying basic financial statements of the St. Tammany Parish Development District, as of December 31, 2007 and 2006, and for the years then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the District's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, the standards for financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and the Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the basic financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the St. Tammany Parish Development District as of December 31, 2007 and 2006, and the results of its operations for the years then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued a report dated July 9, 2008 on our considerations of St. Tammany Parish Development District's internal control structure and on its compliance with laws and regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and should be considered in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

The management's discussion and analysis, and budgetary comparison information, are not a required part of the basic financial statements, but are supplementary information from information that is the representation of management, without audit or review. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion or any other form of assurance on the supplementary information. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information, and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements of the St. Tammany Parish Development District taken as a whole. The accompanying Schedule of Compensation Paid to Board Members for the year ended December 31, 2007, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. The information in that schedule has been subjected to the procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

July 9, 2008 & Masseiates, LLC

# **Basic Financial Statements**

# ST. TAMMANY PARISH DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS DECEMBER 31, 2007 & 2006

# GOVERNMENTAL

		ACTIVITIES			
		2007	2006		
ASSET	s				
Current Assets					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	66,531	\$	28,424	
Intergovernmental receivable		41,522		137,878	
Total current assets	-	108,053		166,302	
Capital assets					
Land		400,000		400,000	
Construction in progress		742,228		184,804	
Fixed assets, net		1,840,630		2,103,578	
Total capital assets		2,982,858	<del></del>	2,688,382	
TOTAL ASSETS		3,090,911		2,854,684	
LIABILITIES &	NET ASSETS				
Liabilities					
Accrued payables	\$	1,950	\$	102,423	
Intergovernmental payable		-		54,000	
Support payable		23,521		28,900	
TOTAL LIABILITIES		25,471		185,323	
Net assets					
Investment in capital assets		2,982,858		2,688,382	
Unrestricted		82,582		(19,021)	
TOTAL NET ASSETS	_\$	3,065,440	\$	2,669,361	

# ST. TAMMANY PARISH DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007 & 2006

				2006	
Expenses					
Economic development support	\$	182,288	\$	205,505	
Legal and professional		30,290		16,160	
Service fees		75,000		75,000	
Depreciation expense		262,947		262,947	
Other	<u></u>	10,004_		14,044	
Total expenses		560,529		573,656	
Program revenues					
Lease income & administrative fees		17,749		32,468	
Bond application revenue		29,911		5,100	
Service fee revenue		75,000		75,000	
Reimbursement income		-		475	
State capital grants		659,847	<del></del>	67,044	
Total program revenues		782,507		180,087	
General revenues					
Hotel/motel tax revenue		174,101		214,990	
Change in net assets		396,079		(178,579)	
Net assets - beginning of year		2,669,361		2,847,940	
Net assets - end of year	_\$	3,065,440	\$_	2,669,361	

# ST. TAMMANY PARISH DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT BALANCE SHEETS - GENERAL FUND DECEMBER 31, 2007 & 2006

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		2007		2006
ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	66,531	\$	28,424
Intergovernmental receivable	<del></del>	41,522		137,878
Total assets		108,053	\$	166,302
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE				
Liabilities				
Accrued payables	\$	1,950	\$	102,423
Intergovernmental payable		-		54,000
Support payable		23,521		28,900
Total liabilities		25,471		185,323
Fund balance				
Unrestricted		82,582		(19,021)
Total fund balance		82,582		(19,021)
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$	108,053	\$	166,302

# ST. TAMMANY PARISH DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT RECONCILIATIONS OF GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCE SHEETS TO THE STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS DECEMBER 31, 2007 & 2006

			2007
Fund balances - total governmental fund		\$	82,582
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net assets are different because:			
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds Governmental capital assets Less accumulated depreciation	\$ 3,771,700 <u>788,842</u>		2,982,858
Net assets of governmental activities		_\$	3,065,440
			2006
Fund balances - total governmental fund		\$	(19,021)
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net assets are different because:			
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds			
Governmental capital assets  Less accumulated depreciation	\$ 3,214,276 525,894		2,688,382
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Net assets of governmental activities		\$	2,669,361

# ST. TAMMANY PARISH DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007 & 2006

# Total Governmental Funds

		2007		2006		
REVENUES						
Hotel/motel tax revenue	\$	174,101	\$	214,990		
Lease income & administrative fees		17,749		32,468		
Bond Application & Closing Fee		29,911		5,100		
Service fee revenue		75,000		75,000		
Reimbursement income		-		475		
State capital grants		659,847		67,044		
Total revenues		956,608		395,077		
EXPENDITURES						
Economic development support	\$	182,288	\$	205,505		
Legal and professional		30,290		16,160		
Service fees		75,000		75,000		
Other		10,004		14,044		
Acquisition of equipment and infrastructure		557,423		169,467		
Total expenditures		855,005		480,176		
Excess/(deficiency) of						
revenues over expenditures		101,603		(85,099)		
Fund balances beginning		(19,021)		66,078		
Fund balances ending	_\$	82,582	\$_	(19,021)		

### ST. TAMMANY PARISH DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT RECONCILIATIONS OF GOVERNMENTAL FUND STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE TO STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007 & 2006

	2007		2006	
Net changes in fund balances - total governmental fund	\$	101,603	\$	(85,099)
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:				
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures.  The entity is acquiring depreciable land improvements and equipment. This amount is capitalization of land improvement and equipment purchases.		557,423		169,467
Governmental funds do not report depreciation expense as an expenditure.		(262,947)		(262,947)
Change in net assets of governmental activities	\$	396,079	<u>_\$</u>	(178,579)



#### NOTE A - ORGANIZATION AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Organization

The St. Tammany Parish Development District (the District), was established for the purpose of promoting and encouraging the development of economic and industrial opportunities, stimulating the economy, and utilizing and developing the natural and human resources of St. Tammany Parish. The District was created by the State of Louisiana Revised Statutes 33:130.401 to 33:130.409. It was reestablished as a separate political body under the provisions of Article VI, Section 44 of the Constitution of Louisiana. The District is governed by a Board of Commissioners (the Board), consisting of fifteen voting members, all of whom must be qualified voters and taxpayers within the limits of St. Tammany Parish. The St. Tammany Parish President appoints one member, the Municipal Association in St. Tammany Parish appoints two members, the Greater Slidell Area Chamber of Commerce appoints one member, the St. Tammany West Chamber of Commerce appoints one member, and the St. Tammany Parish Council appoints two members, all to one year terms. The St. Tammany Economic Development Foundation appoints six members to three-year terms. The St. Tammany Parish Chief Administrative Officer and the Executive Director of the St. Tammany Economic Development Foundation are the other two members, and have no term limit. The Board members are not paid a salary and do not receive a per diem.

#### The Reporting Entity

GASB Statement No. 14, *The Reporting Entity*, established criteria for determining the governmental reporting entity and component units that should be included within the reporting entity. A component unit is a government who is financially accountable to another government or one for which another government can exert influence over its budget and operations. As no entity appoints a majority of its commissioners, the District is considered to be the primary government. The District does not have any component units.

#### Basic Financial Statements - Government-Wide Statements

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the Statements of Net Assets and the Statements of Changes in Net Assets) report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the District. Governmental activities, which normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business-type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support. There were no activities of the District categorized as business-type activities.

The Statements of Activities demonstrate the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. Program revenues include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues.

#### Basic Financial Statements - Fund Financial Statements

The District uses fund accounting to report on its financial position and the results of its operations. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions related to certain government functions or activities. A fund is a separate accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts.

Funds are ordered into three major categories: governmental, proprietary, and fiduciary. Funds within each major category are grouped by fund type in the financial statements. Governmental fund types are those through which general governmental functions of the District are financed. The acquisition, use and balances of the District's expendable financial resources and the related liabilities are accounted for through governmental funds. The General Fund is the main operating fund of the District. This fund is used to account for all financial resources.

NOTE A - ORGANIZATION AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### **Basis of Accounting**

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due.

Amounts reported as program revenues include: 1) charges to customers or applicants for goods, services, or privileges provided, 2) operating grants and contributions, and 3) capital grants and contributions, including special assessments. Internally dedicated resources are reported as general revenues rather than as program revenues. Likewise, general revenues include all taxes.

#### Cash and Cash Equivalents

The entity's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition. State law and the District's investment policy allow the entity to invest in collateralized certificates of deposits, government backed securities, commercial paper, the state sponsored investment pool, and mutual funds consisting solely of government backed securities.

#### Receivables

All receivables are shown net of an allowance for uncollectibles. Intergovernmental receivables represent amounts due from the State for hotel/motel tax revenue for the period that has not yet been remitted. The District believes that all receivables are collectible.

#### Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment, and infrastructure assets (e.g., roads, bridges, sidewalks, and similar items), are reported in the governmental columns in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are capitalized at historical cost. Donated assets, if any, are recorded as capital assets at their estimated fair market value at the date of donation. Capital assets of the governmental funds are recorded as expenditures at the time they are purchased or constructed.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets lives are not capitalized.

Capital assets currently held by the District will revert to a private company at the time the company pays off taxable revenue bonds issued by the District (See Note G – Conduit Debt Obligations). The capital assets consist of land, land improvements, and equipment paid for with State grants received by the District. The term of the revenue bond is ten years, and, for that reason, that land improvements and equipment are being depreciated over a period of ten years. No depreciation is taken on the land.

#### NOTE A ~ ORGANIZATION AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### Compensated Absences

All members of the District serve as Board of Directors and there are no employees of the District. Accordingly, the District does not contribute to a pension plan and has no formal vacation and sick leave policy.

#### Use of Estimates in Preparation of Financial Statements

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues, expenditures, and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### NOTE B - STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY

#### **Budget**

In accordance with the Louisiana Local Government Budget Act, the procedures used by the District in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements include public notices of the proposed budget, public inspections, and public hearings.

The District then legally adopts the budget. Budgeted amounts for the general fund included in the accompanying statements are as originally adopted by the District for the years 2007 and 2006 as of December 14, 2006 and December 15, 2005, respectively.

#### NOTE C - CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

At December 31, 2007 and 2006, the District had cash and cash equivalents (book balances) totaling \$66,531 and \$28,424, respectively, all of which was demand deposits at a local financial institution.

These deposits are stated at cost, which approximates market. Under state law, these deposits (or the resulting bank balances) must be secured by federal deposit insurance or the pledge of securities owned by the fiscal agent bank. The market value of the pledged securities plus the federal deposit insurance must at all times equal the amount on deposit with the fiscal agent. These securities are held in the name of the pledging fiscal agent bank in a holding or custodial bank that is mutually acceptable to both parties.

At December 31, 2007 and 2006, the District had \$66,531 and \$28,424, respectively, in deposits (collected bank balances). These deposits are secured from risk by \$100,000 of federal deposit insurance.

#### NOTE D - RECEIVABLES

A receivable of \$40,522 and \$80,172 was recorded at December 31, 2007 and 2006, respectively, for hotel/motel tax revenue receivable from the State of Louisiana. A receivable of \$1,000 at December 31, 2007 and 2006 was recorded for a December 2007 and 2006 lease payment. A receivable of \$56,706 at December 31, 2006, was recorded for expenditures incurred during 2006 which were not reimbursed until 2007, including \$54,000 in capital outlays reimbursed by the State of Louisiana and \$2,706 in legal fees reimbursed by a lessee. No allowance for uncollectible amounts has been recorded as the management of the District believes all receivables will be collected.

#### NOTE E - CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital assets and depreciation activity as of and for the years ended December 31, 2007 for the primary government are as follows:

	January 1, 2007	Increases	Decreases	December 31, 2007
Land	\$ 400,000			\$ 400,000
Land improvements	1,194,731			1,194,731
Equipment and fixtures	1,434,741			1,434,741
Construction in progress	184,804	557,424		742,228
	3,214,276	557,424		- 3,771,700
Less accumulated depreciation for:		•		•
Land improvements	238,946	119,474		- 358,420
Equipment and fixtures	286,948	143,474	<del></del>	- 430,422
Net capital assets	\$ 2,688,382	\$ 294,476	\$	- \$ 2,982,858

Capital assets and depreciation activity as of and for the years ended December 31, 2006 for the primary government are as follows:

	January 1, 2006 Increase		- ·					December 31, 2006	
						_	<del></del>		
Land	\$	400,000	\$	-	\$	_	\$ 400,000		
Land improvements		1,194,731		-		_	1,194,731		
Equipment and fixtures		1,434,741		-		_	1,434,741		
Construction in progress		15,337		169,467		-	184,804		
		3,044,809		169,467		_	3,214,276		
Less accumulated depreciation for:		•		•			, ,		
Land improvements		119,473		119,473		_	238,946		
Equipment and fixtures		143,474		143,474		-	286,948		
Net capital assets		3,781,862		\$ (93,480)		-	\$ 2,688,382		

#### NOTE F - RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The District utilizes the offices and services of the St. Tammany Economic Development Foundation. The Foundation is a non-profit organization established for the purpose of promoting and encouraging economic development within St. Tammany Parish. Many of the District's board members are also active members of the Foundation. During the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006, the District made payments to the Foundation of \$182,288 and \$205,505, respectively. At December 31, 2007 and 2006, \$23,521 and \$28,900, respectively, in economic development support was due from the District to the Foundation.

#### NOTE G - CONDUIT DEBT OBLIGATIONS

During the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006, the District issued taxable revenue bonds to provide funding for the construction of facilities for private companies. The bonds are secured by the property and facilities of the private companies. Neither the District nor the State of Louisiana is obligated in any manner for repayment of the bonds. Accordingly, the bonds are not reported as liabilities in the accompanying financial statements.

As of December 31, 2007 and 2006, the following conduit debt obligations were outstanding:

<u>Series</u>	<u>Issued</u>	<u>Mature</u>	Balance at December 31, 2007		_	alance at nber 31, 2006
2002	April 2002	July 2022	\$	9,450,000	\$	10,140,000
2003	June 2003	August 2023	\$	25,000,000	\$	25,000,000
2006A-E	January 2006	January 2016	\$	25,000,000	\$	-
2006A-B	December 2006	December 2036	\$	7,990,000	\$	-
2007A-I	February 2007	February 2017	\$	49,074,000	\$	-

#### NOTE H - LEASES

Pursuant to the taxable revenue bonds described in Note G, the District has entered into lease agreements with private companies.

An agreement with a private company was executed April 1, 2002 and expires, unless terminated earlier, on July 1, 2022, or if all bonds are not yet retired, on July 1, 2024. The monthly lease payment is \$1,000. The company has the option to purchase the property for the sum of the amount needed to retire the remaining bonds, the cost of the District's fees, and \$1,000.

An agreement with a private company, dated June 1, 2003, expires on August 1, 2023 or at such time when all bonds are retired. The lease requires an initial payment of \$15,000 at commencement of the lease and \$2,500 in each of the following years. Also the lease requires a payment of between \$55,000 and \$75,000 as long as the company is exempt from ad valorem taxes. The District is required to pay 80% of this payment to the St. Tammany Parish Fire Protection District No. 3 and 20% to the St. Tammany Parish Recreation District No. 4. The company has the option to purchase the property for the sum of the amount needed to retire the remaining bonds, the District's costs and fees, the amount of above payments accrued to date, and \$1,000. The land was purchased by the company and donated to the District. As the District considers the value of the land to be insignificant, the land has not been recorded as an asset of the District.

An agreement with a private company, dated January 1, 2006, expires on January 25, 2016 or at such time when all bonds are retired. The lease requires an initial payment of \$17,500 at commencement of the lease and \$2,500 on February 1\* each of the following years, commencing on February 1, 2007. Also the lease provides for an exemption from ad valorem tax, provided that for each calendar year, the company, together with its affiliates, maintains at least 70 average full time employees in the Parish of St. Tammany, Louisiana with an aggregate salary of \$3,150,000. The company has the option to purchase the property for the sum of the amount needed to retire the remaining bonds.

An agreement with a private company, dated February 16, 2007, expires on February 16, 2017 or at such time when all bonds are retired. The lease requires an initial payment of \$24,537.00 at commencement of the lease and \$2,500 on February 1<sup>st</sup> each of the following years, commencing on February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2008. Also the lease provides for an exemption from ad valorem tax, provided that for each calendar year, the company, together with its affiliates, maintains at least 70 average full time employees in the Parish of St. Tammany, Louisiana with an aggregate salary of \$3,150,000. The company has the option to purchase the property for the sum of the amount needed to retire the remaining bonds.

#### NOTE I - SUBSEQUENT EVENT

On March 25, 2008, the District issued a \$7,800,000 taxable revenue bond to provide funding for the construction of a retail/office complex. The bonds have a term of 25 years, bear interest at variable rates, and are secured by a financing agreement.

On April 1, 2008, the District issued a \$2,240,000 taxable revenue bond to provide funding for the construction of a multi-tenant office building. The bonds have a term of 26 years, bear interest at variable rates, and are secured by a financing agreement.

On April 1, 2008, the District issued a \$3,680,000 taxable revenue bond to provide funding for the construction of a retail shopping complex. The bonds have a term of 26 years, bear interest at variable rates, and are secured by a financing agreement.

On April 1, 2008, the District issued a \$3,310,000 taxable revenue bond to provide funding for the construction of a retail shopping complex. The bonds have a term of 26 years, bear interest at variable rates, and are secured by a financing agreement.

On April 2, 2008, the District issued a \$45,000,000 taxable revenue bond to provide funding for the construction of a distribution facility and outlet store. The bonds have a term of 30 years, bear interest at variable rates, and are secured by a lease agreement.

On May 1, 2008, the District issued a \$25,000,000 taxable revenue bond to provide funding for the construction of a multi-purpose real estate development consisting of retail, residential, office, education and medical facilities. The bonds have a term of 30 years, bear interest at variable rates, and are secured by a financing agreement.

On June 19, 2008, the District issued a \$15,000,000 taxable revenue bond to provide funding for the construction of a destination waterfront retail, office and entertainment complex. The bonds have a term of 30 years, bear interest at a rate of 4.5%, and are secured by a financing agreement.

Neither the District nor the State of Louisiana is obligated in any manner for repayment of any of these bonds. Accordingly, the bonds will not be reported as a liability in the District's financial statements.

# **Other Supplemental Schedules**

# ST. TAMMANY PARISH DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF COMPENSATION PAID TO BOARD MEMBERS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007

Board Member	Amo	unt
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Jean Champagne 1580 W Causeway Approach, Ste 1, Mandeville, LA 70471		-0-
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Dewey Spies 59232 Pine Bay Lane, Lacombe 70445		-0-
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Brenda Reine, Executive Director 21454 Koop Dr. Ste. 2EI, Mandeville 70471		-0-

ST. TAMMANY PARISH DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES
IN FUND BALANCE - GENERAL FUND - BUDGET TO ACTUAL (BUDGETARY BASIS)
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007 & 2006

See independent auditors' report.





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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING BASED ON AN AUDIT OF BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Board of Commissioners

St. Tammany Parish Development District

St. Tammany Parish, Louisiana

We have audited the basic financial statements of the St. Tammany Parish Development District, as of December 31, 2007 and 2006 and for the years then ended, and have issued our report thereon dated July 9, 2008. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

#### Compliance

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the St. Tammany Parish Development District's government-wide financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determinations of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards which are described in the accompanying schedule of noncompliance with laws and regulations.

#### Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered St. Tammany Parish Development District's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Foundation's internal control over financial reporting.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination or control deficiencies, that adversely affects the entity's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principals such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the entity's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control. A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control.

Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, others within the organization, and the Louisiana Legislative Auditor. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

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# ST. TAMMANY PARISH DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF CURRENT YEAR FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS DECEMBER 31, 2007

Ref. No.	Description of Finding	Corrective Action Planned	Name of Contact Person	Anticipated Completion Date			
Section I - Internal Control and Compliance Material to the Financial Statements:							
2007-1	Management amended the budget using expectations of income for 2007. State Act 18 money for the 1st quarter 2007 was not received due to a discrepancy in the name the request was filed under and a mistake in the legislative books. There were also 4 bonds that should have been closed before the end of 2007 that were not closed until April 2008 due to unforseen circumstances. There was an amount invoiced for reimbursement in 2007, but, due to the 45 working day Clear Lien period, the funds could not be reimbursed until 2008.	The District has amended its budget during the year for operational changes, but variances still exceed 5% of budgeted amounts. The District will continue to work with the Legislature to resolve the name issue and receive the 1st quarter 2007 Act 18 funds. The Executive Assistant will verify the anticipated closing date of the loan closer to the preparation of the revised budget. The end of the 45 working day Clear Lien period will be used when considering invoice amounts receivable.	Tracy Clanton	As necessary.			

Section II - Internal Control and Compliance Material to Federal Awards:

n/a

Section III - Management Letter:

n/a

# ST. TAMMANY PARISH DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS DECEMBER 31, 2007

	Fiscal Year Finding Initially		Corrective Action Taken	Planned Corrective Action/Partial Corrective			
Ref. No.	Occurred	Description of Finding	(Yes, No, Partially)	Action Taken			
Section I - Internal Control and Compliance Material to the Financial Statements:							
		n/a					
Section II	- Internal Control	and Compliance Material to Fe	deral Awards:				
		n/a					
Section II	I - Management L	etter:					
		n/a					